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SUBJECT: LIBERIAN STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST WAR

1. EVENING OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, GOL RELEASED FOLLOWING
STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST SITUATION:

QTE THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA,

INCENSED BY THE PATENT DISREGARD OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL
FOR INITIATIVES AND ENDEAVORS UNDERTAKEN BY THE UNITED NATIONS,
THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY, THE NON-ALIGNED NATIONS AND
ON A BILATERAL BASIS BY THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA ITSELF, FOR
THE SECURING OF A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST;

DISTURBED AND DISTRESSED BY THE CAUSES WHICH HAVE PROVOKED
THE ARMED CONFLICT THAT HAS SO VIOLENTLY ERUPTED AMONGST EGYPT,
SYRIA AND ISRAEL CAUSING THE WANTON AND UNWARRANTED DESTRUCTION
OF HUMAN LIVES AND PROPERTY, AS A RESULT OF ISRAEL'S STUBBORN
AND ADAMANT REFUSAL TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION 242, GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2799 OF
DECEMBER 14, 1971, AND THE SEVERAL RESOLUTIONS OF THE ORGANI-
ZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY.

CONVINCED THAT AS LONG AS ISRAEL CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN ITS
REGID POSITION AND FAILS TO IMPLEMENT RESOLUTION 242, A
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PERMANENT CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES, A PACIFIC SETTLEMENT OF

THIS BURNING WORLD ISSUE, AND PEACE WILL NEVER BY ACHIEVED;

BEING CONTINUINGLY COGNIZANT THAT BELLICOSE ACTIVITIES
HAVE NEVER SERVED AS A FUSEFUL MEANS OF BRINGING ABOUT PEACE
AND UNDERSTANDING AMONGST DISPUTING NATIONS;

CONCERNED THAT THE APPARENT OBJECTIVE OF THE ISRAELI
NATION IS TO UTILIZE ARMED CONQUEST AS A MEANS OF ACHIEVING
TERRITORIAL GAIN TO THE DETRIMENT OF OTHER NATIONS THAT ARE A
SUPPORT OF ALL INTERNATIONAL BODIES CONCERNED WITH THE MAIN-
TENANCE OF THE RULE OF LAW AGAINST SUCH ILLEGAL METHODS OF
LAND ANNEXATION;

THEREFORE DEPLORES AND CONDEMNS THE CONTINUED UNLAWFUL
OCCUPATION OF ARAB TERRITORIES, CALLS UPON AND URGES THE STATE
OF ISRAEL TO ADHERE TO THE CONSENSUS OF WORLD OPINION AS CON-
TAINED IN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242 OF NOVEMBER 22, 1967
AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2799 OF DECEMBER 14, 1971, IN
ORDER THAT PERMANENT PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE MAY BE IMMEDIATELY
RESTORED WITHIN THE MIDDLE EAST. UNQTE

2. COMMENT TO FOLLOW.
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